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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Karl-Heinz Ritter and ) Examiner: K. Harris  
Thomas M. Schmatz ) Group Art Unit: 3747  
Application No.: 10/069,879 ) Confirmation No.: 5648  
Filing Date: July 25, 2002 )  
For: PROCESS FOR ATTACHING THE )  
OIL SUMP TO AN ENGINE )  
BLOCK OF A COMBUSTION )  
ENGINE ) March 26, 2004

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Madame:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March  
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